

**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Prior Application:

James M. KRONROD

Art Unit: 2858

Application No.: New Rule 1.53(b) Con.  
Appln.

Examiner: Amy He

Filed: Concurrently Herewith

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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MEASURING THE THICKNESS OF A  
CIRCUIT IN A PRINTED CIRCUIT BOARD

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

March 22, 2004

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and prior to initial examination of the application, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below. This Preliminary Amendment complies with the amendment format as set forth in 68 Fed. Reg. 38611 dated June 30, 2003.

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**Remarks are submitted on page 22.**